

ശ്രീ. ഇ. ജാൺ ഫിലിപ്പോസ് : കഴിഞ്ഞയാണ്ടിൽ കറെ എക്സ്പ്രസ്സ് സർവീസുകൾ പിൽവലിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ട്.

NEW BUSES PURCHASED BY GOVERNMENT

*974. (15) Sri. A. M. Thomas : Will the Hon'ble Minister for Public Works, Communications and Agriculture be pleased to state.—

(a) how many new busses have been purchased by the Government during the last one year ;

(b) whether with the purchase of new buses, buses running are rendered defective and shunted on to the various garages ?

Sri. E. John Philipose :

(a) 56 buses ;

(b) No.

ശ്രീ. എ. എം. തോമസ് : ഈ പുതിയ ബസ്സുകൾ കിട്ടുവാനുള്ള ആഗ്രഹംകൊണ്ട് ഡെപ്യൂട്ടി കമ്മീഷണർ എന്തെങ്കിലും കുറവുണ്ടാക്കി ബസ്സുകൾ അങ്ങു ചെയ്യുന്നത് തടയണമെന്നു ട്രഷറിയിൽ പെട്ടിട്ടുണ്ടോ ?

Sri. E. John Philipose : Buses become defective in the usual course of operation and are being got repaired according to emergency. It is not as what the member depicts now. But defects may happen as an accident and that is inevitable.

ശ്രീ. എ. എം. തോമസ് : മറ്റു ബസ്സുകൾ പുതിയതായി വാങ്ങിച്ചു എന്ന് പറഞ്ഞ് അതിൽ എത്ര എണ്ണം കേടായി പോയിട്ടുണ്ടെന്ന് അറിയാമോ ?

Sri. John Philipose : I have not got the figures now.

ശ്രീ. എ. എം. തോമസ് : എന്റെ ചോദ്യത്തിന് സമാധാനം കിട്ടിയിട്ടില്ല. മറ്റു ബസ്സുകൾ പുതിയതായി വാങ്ങിച്ചപ്പോൾ എത്ര എണ്ണം കേടായി പോയിട്ടുണ്ട്.

ശ്രീ. ഇ. ജാൺ ഫിലിപ്പോസ് : ബസ്സുകൾ വാങ്ങിക്കുന്നതനുസരിച്ചു കേടുവരുന്നത്. For the information of the House I may say this much: Right from the inception of the department as far as these vehicles are concerned the department has been providing depreciation at the rate of 25 per cent so that a bus can go as scrap if necessary after 4 years. But at present certain buses run for 6 years and more.

ശ്രീ. എ. എം. തോമസ് : സാധാരണ ഗതിയിൽ ഈ മറ്റു ബസ്സുകളിൽ എത്ര എണ്ണം കേടായി പോയിട്ടുണ്ടെന്ന് പറയാമോ ?

Sri. E. John Philipose : A scheme has been submitted by a special officer of the department who had gone into this question and according to that there will be a progressive elimination of existing vehicles which are not serviceable.

ശ്രീ. വി. ഗോധരൻനായർ : അതിൽ എത്ര എണ്ണത്തിന് കേടു വന്നിട്ടുണ്ടെന്ന് അറിയാമോ ?

Sri. E. John Philipose : I shall look up the figures.

LOCATION OF MONOZITE FACTORY

*975. [16] Sri. D. Gnanasigamani : Will the Hon'ble Minister for Industries be pleased to state.—

(a) whether an expert committee was appointed by Government of India about an year ago to submit its recommendation as regards the location of a Monozite Factory in the State ;

(b) if so, whether that expert committee recommended that Monozite Factory should be located at Manavalakurichi ;

(c) if the answer to part (b) is in the affirmative, whether this Government protested against that recommendation ;

(d) if so, the reason why the Government so protested ;

(e) whether any final decision has been taken by Government of India as regards the location of the Monozite Factory and if so, where ?

Sri. N. Kunjuraman :

(a) A committee was constituted by the Government of India in 1949, but its function is not merely to submit its recommendation regarding the location of the proposed monozite factory. The Committee is for administering the company to be formed for processing monozite and certain other minerals.

(b) No.

(c) Does not arise in view of answer to part (b).

(d) This does not arise.

(e) No; but it is expected that the factory will be located at Alwaye.

Sri. P. S. Nataraja Pillai : Sir, May I know the percentage of monozite in the mineral sand at Chavara area and the percentage of monozite in the mineral sand at Colachel area ?

Sri. N. Kunjuraman : I am not in a position to give that detail at this stage.

ശ്രീ. കെ. ആർ. ഇലങ്കുത്ത് : കമ്മിറ്റിയുടെ റക്കമെന്റേഷന്റെ കൂട്ടത്തിൽ ഈ കമ്പനി ആലുവായിൽ ആയിരിക്കണം എന്നു വല്ല നിർദ്ദേശവും ഉണ്ടോ? (no answer)

G. P.—KAPPAN COMMITTEE

*976. [17] **Sri. D. Gnanasigamani :** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Public Works, Communications and Agriculture be pleased to state:—

(a) whether it is a fact that the members of the G. P.—Kappan Committee claimed mileage for doing their work after the whole distance was covered by travelling at Government cost using Government vehicles ;

(b) if so, whether the then Director was against such a payment as it contravened the Travancore Financial and Account Code ;

(c) the financial action taken by Government on the matter ;

(d) the total amount paid to G. P.—Kappan Committee ?

Sri. E. John Philipose :

(a) The members of the Committee did not travel at Government cost nor did they use Government vehicles.

(b) & (c) The questions do not arise.

(d) Rs. 548.

BRIDGE

*997. [18] **Sri. N. P. Varghese :** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Public Works be pleased to state:—

(a) whether Government are in receipt of a copy of resolutions passed at a public meeting from the people of Pindimana in Muvattupuzha taluk on 12th February 1950 regarding the Erappunkal Periyar River road ;

(b) are Government aware that the Minister for works visited the bridge on the first mile of that road on 6th February 1950 ; and

(c) are Government aware that it is an important road passing through thickly populated areas and connects A. M. Road with Bhoonhathankettu ?

Sri. E. John Philipose :

(a) Yes.

(b) Yes.

(c) Yes.

SUPPLY OF MANURE

*978. [19] **Sri. N. P. Varghese :** Will the Hon'ble Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state:—

(a) the quantity of bone meal supplied to the Muvattupuzha Manure Depot in 1125 till date for sale to the cultivators ;

(b) are Government allowing any concession in price to the cultivators ; and

(c) on what conditions is manure sold to the cultivators ?

Sri. E. John Philipose :

(a) A quantity of 592 cwts. of bonemeal was available in the Muvattupuzha Manure Depot for sale to cultivators in the year 1125 till date.

(b) Government allow concession to cultivators by selling organic manure such as bone-meal and groundnut cake at 2/3 price; and at 1/2 price to Kuttanad cultivators.

In the case of super-phosphate also 50 per cent is allowed when it is issued in lieu of bonemeal.

(c) Manures are issued at present only for use for cultivation of paddy and vegetables on applications from cultivators.